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1. The Soviets do not actually expect to lure Tito back into the Soviet camp, even under special status such as that enjoyed by Communist China. They do hope, however, to improve relations so that Yugoslavia can be cited as a country which, without any internal Soviet control, is existing in complete harmony with the Soviet Union. Should Tito not consent to this, the Soviets would still hope to make Yugoslavia more neutral than it has been.
2. Tito will never consent to return to the Soviet camp even under special status. Not only is Tito very familiar with the Soviet system, realizing that equal existence within it is impossible, but he has a strong desire to create a stable, completely independent government, under his and only his control. Officials under Tito have been strongly indoctrinated in the evils of the Soviet system and would not, should Tito die, try to effect closer relations than those contemplated by him.
3. Ambassador Vasilij A. Valkov may not be the individual implementing Soviet policy in Belgrade. It is entirely possible that Moscow has sent some other individual, with lower rank than Valkov, to Belgrade for this purpose.

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